

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended). An image commercial transactions system comprising:

a reception dealer for accepting a request for a sale of audio data representative of a song and said photographic digital image data with a handling condition associated with said photographic digital image data ~~and for accepting a selection of a receiver side from a plurality of receiver sides,~~ for selling said audio data and said photographic digital image data with said handling condition in a digital data format, and for transferring said audio data and said photographic digital image data with said handling condition in said digital data format ~~to said selected receiver side via an Internet line; and~~

a charge accounting dealer for effecting an electronic accounting transaction for a purchase of said audio data and said photographic digital image data with said handling condition in said digital data format, wherein

said photographic digital image data corresponds to an image associated with the song and said photographic digital image data is representative of a thumbnail image,

said reception dealer being operable to transfers ~~transfer~~ said audio data representative of the song and said photographic digital image data which corresponds to the song to a portable player so as to enable that represents a thumbnail image and further transfers audio data associated with said digital image, said thumbnail image and said audio data being to be simultaneously played on a portable music player thereon.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended). The image commercial transactions system according to claim 1 wherein said reception dealer generates predetermined additional information for said

photographic digital data image and said audio data, and distributes said generated additional information in digital data format.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended). The image commercial transactions system according to claim 2 wherein said reception dealer distributes said additional information data comprising:

information as to a payment condition for purchasing said photographic digital image data and audio data;

information as to a recorder's history of said photographic digital image data; and

text information data synthesized with said photographic digital image data.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended). The image commercial transactions system according to claim 2 wherein said reception dealer distributes said photographic digital image data and said audio data subjected to a scrambling process.

Claims 5-17 (Canceled).

Claim 18 (Currently Amended). An image commercial transactions method comprising:

an image scanning or photographing step for converting a picture on a photographic film or an image of an object into a digital image;

a publication step of enabling a reception dealer to produce index-image data displaying pertaining to a plurality of digital images which are displayable as a plurality of thumbnail

images for sale and ~~to publicizes~~ publicize said produced image data via an Internet line;

a reception step of enabling said reception dealer to accept a request for a sale of audio data representative of a song and ~~said a~~ digital image from said plurality of digital images with a handling condition associated with said digital image and ~~to accept a selection of a receiver side from a plurality of receiver sides;~~

a sale step of enabling said reception dealer to sell said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in a digital data format;

a transferring step of transferring said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in said digital data format ~~to said selected receiver side via said Internet line; and~~

a charge accounting step of enabling a charge accounting dealer to effect an electronic charge accounting transaction for a purchase of said audio data and said digital image with said handling condition in said digital data format, wherein

said digital image corresponds to an thumbnail image associated with the song,

in said publication step, reception and transferring step, said reception dealer being operable to transfer said audio data representative of a song ~~further handles an audio data associated with the~~ and said digital thumbnail image ~~associated therewith to a portable player,~~ said thumbnail image and ~~said audio data~~ song being to be ~~simultaneously played on a portable music player~~ thereon.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended). The image commercial transactions method according to claim 18 wherein said sale step comprises enabling said reception dealer to generate predetermined additional information for said digital image and said audio data, and sell said generated additional information in digital data format, along with said digital image ~~data~~ with said handling condition data.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended). The image commercial transactions method according to claim 19 wherein said sale step comprises enabling said reception dealer to sell said additional information data comprising:

information of a selling price of said digital image ~~data~~ and said audio data;

information as to a payment condition for purchasing said digital image ~~data~~; and

text information data synthesized with said digital image ~~data~~.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended). The image commercial transactions method according to claim 20 wherein said sale step comprises enabling said reception dealer to distribute said digital image ~~data~~ and said audio data subjected to a scrambling process.

Claim 22-39 (Canceled).

Claim 40 (New). The image commercial transactions system according to claim 1, wherein the thumbnail image is an image of an album jacket associated with the song.

Claim 41 (New). The image commercial transactions method according to claim 18, wherein the thumbnail image is an image of an album jacket associated with the song.

Claim 42 (New). The image commercial transactions system according to claim 1, wherein said handling condition includes duplicate limitation information.

Claim 43 (New). The image commercial transactions system according to claim 18, wherein said handling condition includes duplicate limitation information.